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Aboution of the Ducking Stool, The most noteworthy of all the insten-

nivers designed for the correction of Eve's lending daughters was the ducking stool, known as the tunibrel and the trebuchet. A post, across which was a transverse beam ang on a swivel and with a chair at one the was set up on the edge of a pond. the chair the woman was chained, monel toward the water-a muddy or fileny pond was usually chosen for this ose when available-and ducked half a duzen times; or, if the water inflamed r instead of acting as a damper, she was let down tames innumerable, until she was eximisted and well nigh drowned.

From the frequency with which we find it mould seed in old local and county histoin church wardens' and chamberlains' unts and by the poets (Gay, for one, storal. "Too Shepherd's Week") we shall Sably not be wrong in concluding that time this institution was kept up all over the constry. In Liverpool, according to The theetleman's Magazine for 1803, it was not formally abelished until 1776 -

A scheme has been adopted for the removal of sand deposited on the railroad tracks near the Upper Columbia river by the frequent sand storms by sluicing it into the river by means of water supplied by a force pump on the river.

TRIED TO OUST HIM.

An Order From One of the New I. and G. N. Receivers

BOUNCING COL. W. S. HERNDON.

Western Officials Gathering in the East. General Manager Clark of the M. P. Says the "Sugar Cut Rate Yarn" is No Go.

Wheat in the Panhandle.

The Fert Worth and Denver people say the acreage of wheat this year is 200 per cent greater than ever before known in the Panhandle, and from present indications the crop will be a magnificent one. From the appearance of the crops at present, un-less rust or the chinch bugs should take it. the product of the acrease this year will be sufficient to supply, not only the Pan-handle but the cutire state of Texas as well

The Cotton Traffic.

	The following statement gives the number of bales of cotton shipped	from
	points named on the Fort Worth and	Den-
	ver to Fort Worth from September !	
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	No.	bales.
3	From Rhome	4.595
	From Decatur	
	From Alvord	3,197
	From Sunset	3,019
	From Bewie	7.644
	From Bellevue	468
	From Henrietta	151
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From Wichita Falls. 183
From Iowa Park 216
Cotton will be raised this year as far
North as Memphis and the output is expected to be much greater. The shipments
thus far are within 1000 bales of the amount
shipped of the crop of 1889 and the 1000
bales is awaiting shipment and some more
is in sight, thus rendering the output something greater than for the preceding year.

The Reason for Our High Railroad Fares. The first obvious reason for the differ ence in passenger fares is a difference in the kind of service rendered. Continental Europe pays two-thirds as much as America or England and gets an inferior article. India pays still less and gets still less. The dif-ference is seen both in quality and quantity of service. In India express trains rarely run at a greater speed than twenty-live miles an hour. In Germany and France their speed ranges from twenty-live to thirty-live miles an hour, and only in exceptional instances is more than forty miles an hour. In the United States and in England hour. nour. In the United States and in England the maximum speed rises as high as fifty, or, in exceptional instances, sixty miles an hour. With regard to the comfort of the cars in different countries, there is more room for difference of opinion; there can be no doubt that the average traveler in the Inited States, or even in the English third-United States, or even in the English third-class cars, fares better than he would in the corresponding class on continental rail-roads, and infinitely better than the bulk of travelers in British India. No rates, how-ever low, would induce an American to be content with an Austrian third-class ac-commodation, or to tolerate that which is commodation, or to tolerate that which is furnished the average Hindoo traveler.

There is a second reason of even greater importance, though it is less obvious at first sight. This is the difference in the number of trains. Taking into account density of population and amount of travel. Europe population and amount of travel, Europe has more trains than India, and America or England more than continental Europe. If there are 500 travelers daily who wish to use a certain line in India, the authorities give them but one or two trains a day. They are thus able to secure very large train loads, and as the train rather than train loads; and as the train, rather than the passenger, is the unit for many items of expense, the sacrifice of public convenience in the matter of hours of travel is a source of economy for the railroad. For a given number of people who can use railroads, Austria provides more trains than India, Germany more than Austria, England more than Germany, and the United States more than England. Each concession to the public conveyance in this matter involves a loss which must be paid for somewhere.—[Pro-fessor Arthur T. Halley in the April

Tail Lights.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas is handling an immense number of stock cat-

W. H. Abel, traveling passenger agent for the Chicago and Alton, was in the city

The Cotton Belt brought in eleven cars of hogs from Kansas City yesterday, con-signed to the Fort Worth packing house. A new time card goes into effect on the dissourl, Kansas and Texas to-morrow. No change is made in the time on the Fort No change is man Worth division.

W. V. Newlin, general freight and passenger agent of the Fort Worth and Den-ver, is able to be out again after a severe siege of la grippe.

Maj. Sam Hunt, livestock agent of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway, is out after some big cattle shipments, and the Kaly's motive power is not allowed to rust for want of use in consequence.

Within the next three years the Chicago, Burilisation and Quincy railroad will retire about five millions of land grant mortgage bands issued on branch roads in Iowa. The bonds will be retired with money from the net earnings from the system which has been placed in a sinking fund for the purpose of cancelling the bonds mentioned. The retirement of the bonds will result in a saving of \$400,000 a year in interest, as they will be replaced by bonds such as can not be retired, at about one half the rate of in-

Something Better than Hints Wanted. Special to the Gazette.

TERRELL, TEX., March 31.-It has been said time and again that Terrell was a splendid location for division headquarters of the Texas and Pacific railroad. It is hinted time and seain. We are fond of these hints, whether real or unreal, but we would feel extra good if such a thing would materialize. We are hoping and

THEY ARE WORKED UP.

Palestine Railroad Circles Over the L and G. N. Investigation. Special to the Gazette.

PALESTINE, TEX., March 31.-The resolution of Representative Gerald providing for a committee to investigate the receivership of the International and Great Nothern has caused considerable comment in railroad and commercial circles in this city. It will be remembered that when the suit of Jay Gould vs. the International and Great Northern milroad in Judge McCord's court, in which the receivership was inaugurated, Palestine stockholders made a vigorous protest, which resulted in a suit here involving the question of venue and the celebrated case was reversed by the supreme court, The investigation as asked for by the legislature will, in all probability, develop a sensation in the end, and all the railroad men and citizens here are glad of it,

SOME FUN AHEAD.

T. M. Campbell Attempts to Bounce Col. Herndon, Counsel for the L and G. N.

Special to the Gazette. TYLER, TEX., March 31 .- A few days ago Col. W. S. Herndon received a communica-tion from T. M. Campbell, one of the re-ceivers of the International and Great Northern railroad company, informing him that after April I his services as counsel of the company would be dispensed with. The communication was in the nature of a very unpleasant surprise to Col. Herndon, and it did not take him long to make a vigorous protest to Col. T. R. Bonner and Hon. Felix S. McCord, judge of this judicial district, against what he regarded as a summary and arbitrary act. Learning that he had possived such a letter your correspondent received such a letter, your correspondent sought him out and asked him about it. He replied: "I have received such a letter. "I have received such a letter.

It amounts to nothing. Mr. Campbell took

It amounts to nothing. Mr. Campbell took it upon himself to attempt to dismiss me as counsel of the company without conferring with, or obtaining the approval or consent of his company, Receiver Col. T. R. Bonner, or Judge McCord. His action being without authority is of no affect, and has been annulled by Judge McCord."

From this, it appears that the new receiver is likely to have a very lively fight on his hands if he persists in his determination to force Col. Herndon out of his position of counsel for the International company. The colonel is a man who will not consent to be peremptorily pushed aside, and he proposes to make things very lively and interesting if the attempt to do so is persisted in.

The introduction of the Gerald resolution to investigate the International and Great

to investigate the International and Great Northern receivership has been a topic of interesting talk here to-day, and the news of the action taken in the matter is eagerly

Commercial Industrial Commission. St. Louis, Mo., March 31.—The adjourned meeting of the commercial industrial commission of St. Louis met to-day and received and adopted the report of the committee on nominations for a board of directors. The directors elected represent the principal business interests and commercial associations of the city. The name of the association was changed to the St. Louis traffle association.

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Louis traffic association.
At to-day's meeting a number of new members joined the association and swelled the membership to 400.
A move to bring about many reforms is now upon a firm footing, and it is thought the railroads in the near future will meet the demands of the association.
There will be another meeting of the association on Friday next.

Incorporated at Denver

DENVER, Col., March 31.—The Mexico, Cuernavaca and Pacific railway company was incorporated here to-day, with a capital of \$200,000. The line will run from the City of Mexico to Cuernavaca and the coast, through a very fertile region for a distance of 320 miles. The incorporators are Gen. Herman Strum, George Fritch, Charles Wheeler, Andrew B. Heath and Phillip Zaug. Gen. Strum has been granted a con-cession by the Mexican government for the construction of the road, which gives him right of way and exempts the company from taxation for a period of thirty years.

Western Officials Gathering.

NEW YORK, March 31 .- The Mail and Express says: "Western railroad officials are gathering in the East, and their first busi-ness seems to be to give life to the Western dispatches. General Manager Clarke, of the Missouri Pacific says that there is not a word of truth in the yarn about cut rate on sugar, and every one of them say that matters are moving along more peaceably than ever before."

Now You See It-Now You Don't. St. Louis, Mo., March 31.—Judge I. J. Porter, for eighteen years connected with the legal department of the Missouri Pacific road, and who five months since retired from the position of general attorney for Missouri to accept the position of special consul, has been informed that the latter office has been abolished. This is in line with the retrenchment recently inaugurated by the system.

Railway Directors Indicted.

New York, March 31.—The directors of the New York and New Haven and Hart-ford railway company were to-day indicted by the grand jury of the court of general sessions for misdemeanor in connection with the fatal collision in the North avenue tunnel on February 20 last, whereby there were given yet lives lost were six lives lost.

One and One-Third Fare Authorized Kansas City, Mo., March 31.—The Trans-Missouri railway association has issued a circular authorizing rates of one and one-third fare to delegates to the first Western states commercial congress to be held in this city April 14th to the 18th.

> CAED MILLE FAILTHE is Irish, and means a thousand welcomes. Our advertisers, who know a good thing when they see it, and therefore ad-vertise in The Gazette, will, if you call upon them, bid you CAED MILLE FAILTHE.

THE WAY TO WEALTH Hes through industry and advertising. First get a good thing ADVERTISE IN THE GAZETTE.

NERO FIDDLED,

while Rome was burning, and the senate, in the year 68, A.D., declared him to be the enemy of his country. He ended his life by suicide June 11, of that year, which is just what business doing who do not ADVERTISE IN THE GAZETTE.

LOOK HERE, FRIEND!

Don't you want to increase your business a hundred-fold? The quickest way to accomplish that object is by advertising IN THE GAZETTE.

THE MOON OF MAHOMET arese, so also did it set, but the way Mahomet's moon set was not a circumstance to the manner in which the hopes of men will set if they fail to advertise in papers of large circulation

THE GAZETTE.

TIME IS MONEY.

So don't waste any in searching for goods on the counters of shopkeepers who either don't know enough or are too mean to advertise. The dealers who have real bargains always ADVERTISE IN THE GAZETTE.

DO YOU WANT HELP?

Tell the unemployed what sort of workmen you want and you will have a choice. Do you want work? Tell the employing classes what you can do by short ads in THE GAZETTE.

BANKS MAY FAIL

and cashiers run away, but THE GAZETTE will continue as of yore, to be read by everybody whose trade is worth having. If you want to reach this class of the community ADVERTISE IN THE GAZETTE.

Silver Anniversary. The members of Sedgwick Post No. 39, G. A. R. of this city will hold public exercises commemorative of the quarto centennial auniversary of the first organization of the Grand Army of the Republic at Decatur, Ill., at their hall in THE GAZETTE building, corner of Fifth and Rusk streets, on Monday evening, April 6th, 1891, at 7:30 o'clock, to which all old soldiers, the Sons of Veterans, the Women's Relief corps, the or veterans, the women's reciter corps, the press, the clergy and the public generally are cordially invited. The programme as arranged will be varied, spicy and attractive, consisting of short speeches, music, recitations, etc., and it is especially desired that all old soldiers and their families be present and make this occasion interaction.

LEGISLATIVE.

The Proceedings Carried On in a Business-Like Way.

NUMEROUS MEASURES PASS.

The Town and City Street and Bridge Tax Bill Passes the House-Unanimously

in Favor of the L and G. N.

Investigation. XXII. LEGISLATURE.

SENATE

Special to the Gazette. Austin, Tex., March 31 -Theleoncurrent resolution offered by Mr. Whatley to invite Hon. D. B. Culberson to visit Austin and address members of the legislature and

general public was adopted.

Mr. Potter offered a joint resolution authorizing the governor to receive from the United States government the money due Texas under an act of congress to reimburse states under direct tax laws. The amount coming to Texas is between \$80. amount coming to Texas is between \$80, 000 and \$100,000.

Mr. Kearby introduced a bill to regulate telegraph companies and compel them to promptly transmit and deliver messages. Mr.Lubbock introduced a bill to validate the election of county and district clerks in counties of less than 8000 inhabitants and to

ounties of less than 8000 minoriants and to validate the acts of said clerks.

Mr. Kearby's bill to require notices of the saie of real estate, to be sold under judicial or other forced saie to be published in some newspaper in the county, was taken up and passed under suspension of the rules.

Mr. Frank introduced a bill to regulate contracts for conditional sale or lease of railroad equipment and rolling stock, and providing for a record thereof.

Mr. Potter introduced a bill to authorize cities and towns to invest their sinking

fund in interest paying securities, and pro-viding for the manner of such investment. House bill to facilitate the disposition of certain criminal cases in county courts was taken up, amended and passed under suspension of the rules. Senate bill to create the county of Sealy

was taken up and set as a special order for Thursday. Senate bill to provide for the election of a

Senate bill to provide for the election of a committee of agriculture, insurance, statistics and history was taken up.

Mr. Crane moved to amend by striking out the preamble, which declares that it is a principal of Democratic theory of the government that the people shall elect all their officers, and that this is specially true as applied to the state officials and heads of departments. departments. The amendment was agreed to and the

bill passed under suspension of rules.

Senate bill to provide for the appointment of assistant county attorneys in various parts of the county was taken up, amended and passed.

and passed.

House bill to validate the incorporation of certain towns and cities was taken up, amended and passed.

Senate bill to amend the election law to prevent the throwing out of ballots on slight irregularities was taken up, amended

Mr. Weisiger's bill to punish persons for using a false pedigree of stock was passed under suspension of the rules.

House amendments to the senate bill au-thorizing the sale of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad, and the bill to authorize the incorporation of companies to buy railroads already built, were agreed to. Adjourned until 10 to-morrow. HOUSE.

Special to the Gazette. Austin, Tex., March 31 .- On motion of Mr. Rogan of Caldwell the house decided to re-censider the vote by which the lignite bill was lost yesterday.

Pending a call of the house, the bill pro-

viding for an increase of the compensation of county commissioners from \$3 to \$5 a day at regular sessions was taken up and engrossed. A companion bill, providing that the fees

and salary of county judges shall not be less than \$1000, was argued pro and con and indefinite postponed.

A resolution inviting Congressman Culberson to visit Austin and make a speech was adopted.

Mr. Cochran gave notice that he would call up the Austin charter to-morrow.

Mr. Swayne's bill amending article 4992, title 85, chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes making a deed once of record always of record, was ordered engrossed. cord, was ordered engrossed.

A motion to suspend the constitutional requirement and pass the bill failed, owing to the opposition of Messrs. Lewis, Owsley and Mckinney, who objected to the provise

making the destroyed record construction notice that any instrument therein has been recorded, whether it has or not. Senate bill authorizing towns and cities incorporated under the general law to assess and collect a street and bridge tax, not to exceed 15 cents on the \$100, passed.

Senate bill authorizing the governor to

appoint a state revenue agent to superin-tend the financial affairs of the state was considered in committee of the whole, Mr. Melson in the chair, and favorably reported.
The report was adopted and the bill

The lignite bill passed to a third reading.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The house concurred in the senate amendments to house bill 77, authorizing county where the property of the concurred in the senate amendments to house bill 77, authorizing county where the concurred in the senate area. judges to try certain cases during vacation The special committee to report what action the house should take on the Gerald concurrent resolution reported unanimously in favor of an investigation of the receivership of the International and Great Northern railway, the report thereof to be not later than August 1.

House bill amending the law relative to

legal fonces was wrangled over and amended for some time and finally recom-

House bill for the protection of herons, pelicans, and other sea birds and their egrs, passed.

Mr. Owsley's motion to reconsider the vote by which Mr. Swayne's bill relating to burnt records was defeated, was spread

on the journal.

Mr. Gossett's bill limiting alien ownership of land, but exempting aliens who have filed their intentions to become citi-zens of the United States, was taken up. The bill does not affect aliens now holding land, but requires their heirs to part with it in six years or become citizens. The bill

House bill by Mr. Baker of Tom Green, providing for the sale of grazing land be-longing to the univerity and public schools, the land to be sold for grazing purposes when present leases expire, was taken up. The bill was under discussion when the house adjourned.

HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS.

The Question as to Who Will Get the Contract Hangs in the Balance. Special to the Gazette.

GALVESTON, TEX., March 31.-Inquiry at Galviston, IEX., March 31.—Induiry at the United States engineer's office in this city as to who was the successful bidder for the harbor improvement work revealed the fact that a conclusion would not be reached for several days. "Everything will depend on what material or combi-nation of materials is adopted. For the granite work Ricker, Lee & Co. of Galveston seem to be the lowest bidders, while Langtry Bros. of Strong City, Kan., offer to build the jettles out of sandstone cheaper than any of the others. The engineers may, however, conclude to use a combination of these materials, in which event O'Connor, Lang & Smoot of Dallas will stand first show of securing the o

None but ten se ond Belle of Nelson shisky second over the Mansion bar.

present and make this occasion interesting and instructive.

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THE CITY COUNCIL.

THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE BODY LAST NIGHT.

The Budget Extensive But Not Very Important-The Proceedings of the Meeting.

The city council met in regular session last evening. Alderman Nicks, mayor pro tem, in the chair.

tem, in the chair.

The roll call showed all the aldermen present except Messrs. Martin, Furman and Armstrong. Alderman Martin being absent from the city his request to be excused was, on motion, granted.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Alderman Armstrong entered and took his seat during the reading of the minutes.

The report of the claims committee, recommending the payment of the following claims from the proper funds, was adopted.

Datar Hannessee.

A communication from the Texas brewing company, complaining of the condition of Jones street, since it was graded and graveled, and that the culverts failed to give sufficient waterway, was read. The matter was referred to the streets and alleys committee, and the city engineer with in-

committee, and the city engineer with instructions to put in tile drains as far as the Santa Fe tracks.

The public building committee recommended the city advertise for a site for the erection of a central fire hall and that steps be taken for the erection of such a structure as soon as possible. Adderman Nies suggested that the site for a city hall, recently purchased of Mr. Bailey, would be ample for both structures and offered as a substitute that take site be used, and that no plans be adopted until the site of the city hall should be decided upon. This was followed by some discussion in which was followed by some discussion in which the fact that no one could say how long the present building could be occupied, and

present building could be occupied, and that a new building would soon be imperatively demanued. It was decided that the central could be so located as not to in and the central could be so located as not to in and the central colon, it was adopted.

Alderman Day from the committee appointed to soltle the question of the amount of forfeiture to be charged on the contract of Smith & Bardon for the creetion of the high school building reported in favor of paying the amount less \$20 and \$79.23 as Smith & Bardon's proportion of the insurance. Alderman Armstrong spoke when a same a street is proportion of the insurance. Alderman Armstrong spoke in objection to the committee's report owing to the fact that it would establish a bad precedent. Alderman Nies sustained Alderman Armstrong's objections for the same reason. This provoked some discussion, when Alderman Nies offered an amendment, that the imports the city discussion, when Alderman Nies offered an amendment that the amount the city had been compelled to pay for rent of school buildings pending the completion of the new structure, amounting to about \$270 be added to the amount deducted. The vote being taken, the amendment prevailed and the report of the committee as amended was then adopted.

Alderman Day then called the attention of the council to the fact that the city had built an addition to one of the buildings formerly used by the high school and moved the committee be instructed to advertise the same for sale. The motion pre-

vertise the same for sale. The motion pro

vailed.

The public grounds committee reported on the petition of Alvord & Veal recom-mending the 20-foot alley between Louis-iana avenue and Landa street be widened forty feet, making it a 60-foot street, and according to contract, was referred to the stating it could be done at an expense of \$2000. Alderman Smith stated that Alderman Martin was interested in the matter and had requested no action be taked in the matter at this meeting, and moved the question be deferred until next meeting. Attorncy Capps was granted permission to speak on the question, and urged the coun-cil to take immediate action, saying that he believed all the aldermen were in favor of it except Alderman Martin, and all he could do would be to oppose it. Alderman Nies—"I rise to a question of

privilege. The gentleman is out of order. He is speaking against an alderman who is not present, and I object."

Mr. Capps apologized, saying he meant no discourtesy to the absent alderman, and went on to expatiate upon the immense amount of money the owners of the addition were expending and the efforts they were making to induce people to build were making to induce people to output thereon, and that it was necessary to the successful sale of lots that the street be opened. The question being put the motion to postpone for one week prevailed.

The waterworks committee reported that the artesian well on Tucker's hill was down 2100 feet, and was now in a limestone formation which was a good indication of water and that the contractors were willing to go further. It recommended that the Panhandie implement company be in-structed to continue sinking the well. Re-ferred to the waterworks committee with

power to act.

The contract of the Lane bridge company for the repair of the North Side bridge, with the amended bond properly signed, was presented duly signed and attested by the city officials. The contract was received and the acts of the city officials were

A petition from Geo. W. Hill, engineer of the steam roller, asking leave of absence for a time, with G. G. Hill as substitute, was read and referred to the streets and alleys and fire committees.

A petition from G. Y. Smith, stating that he was opening a large dry goods store at 710 and 712 Main street and that a tempor-

ary frame structure in the rear was neces sary for the carpenters to prepary the nec-essary wood work and asking permission to erect such a structure, was read and re-ferred to the fire committee with power to A petition from property owners of the

First ward asking that sewer lines be laid between Belknap and Bluff streets, was referred to the sewer committee to report at the next meeting.

A petition from J. R. Powell, asking the

contract to set the high school grounds in Bermuda grass at a cost of \$75, was re-ceived and referred to the public grounds committee with power to act. committee with power to act.

H. H. Kerr, city engineer reported that
a culvert or sewer was needed to drain the
low grounds west of the Houston and Texas

Central depot, and a culvert south of the south switch on Main street should be cleaned out and repaired. Referred to the streets, alleys and sidewalks committee.

A communication from H. H. Kerr, complaining that the contractor for the excavation of Front street under the railroad tion of Front street under the railroad road tracks ignored his orders regarding the disposal of waste material, and with copies of letters notifying the contractor and his attorneys that he would refuse the work unless his instructions were complied with, was read. Received and the action

the engineer approved. A communication from J. J. Gannan chairman of the entertainment committee of the Como club, announcing that on May 15 the Maifest of the club would be opened with a grand parade, embracing a trades / display, and inviting the council to paracipate: also requesting leave be granted the fire and po-lies departments was read. The invitation in the way of a handsome bouquet, handed



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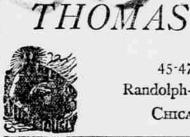


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was accepted, and the desired permission to the fire and police departments granted.

A polition from George C. Ward, asking that the grading and graveling of Galveston avenue be inspected and ascertain if it was streets and alleys committee and the city

engineer.

A petition from property owners on Galveston avenue between Daggett and Rail-road avenues stating the water pipe was proving itself imadequate to the demands upon it, and asking that a six-inch pipe re-place it, was referred to the waterworks

committee, A communication from the city engineer, stating that the storm sewer along Jackson street to East Lawson street needed repairs at Burnet street, was referred.

The contract of J. B. Hamilton for repairs on Ruda and Jarvis streets was referred to the city attorney. The annual report of the city secretary was presented. On motion it was made the annual financial statement of the city and ordered printed five times.

The question of the matter of the grading and graveling on Rosedale street was re-

ferred to the city engineer to report cost.

Alderman Smith called the attention of the council to the fact that he had a quantity of new hose to test, and invited the alder men to be present to-morrow afternoon at 2 p. m. for the purpose of witnessing it.

Alderman Nies stated that Mayor Smith had gone to Austin on business and that he would notify the mayor protem, by wire by noon to-day, and that a special meeting

might be necessary this afternoon.

An ordinance to amend section No. 2 of ordinance No. 535, increasing the tax levy, was read by caption and laid over A resolution by Alderman Fraser that properly owners on the east side of Jennings avenue be instructed to lay side walks of stone, gravel or cement from Front street to the intersection of Throck-morton street was adopted.

A resolution by Alderman Fraser that the city engineer be instructed to have a gravel sidewalk laid on the east side of Jennings avenue from Broadway to Railroad avenue was referred to the city attorney. The council then adjourned.

The l'aymaster. The next attraction appearing at the opera house, Wednesday and Thursday, April 1 and 2, with a grand matinee Thursday, will be "The Paymaster."

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the present season is now occupying the boards at the Tremont. It commenced its en-gagement last night, will be presented again for a matinee this afternoon and again tonight. The play was seen here last season.

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edian, is clever enough to deserve com-mendation, and he adds to a good Irish dialect, a nimble pair of heels and a voice with inclody enough to sing a comic air with sufficient colat to win encore. Miss Clara Coleman, the soubrette, is salso an exception in point of ability.

She sings and dances very acceptably and her work with Larry goes far toward relieving the play from being very tire-some. Miss Coleman is the sister of Miss Alice Coleman, the well known cornetist, and has quite a number of friends and admirers in Galvaston.

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